

SENATE BILL 2909
By Elsea

AN ACT to designate the bridge spanning the Tennessee River on
State Route 60 as the "Tri-County Veterans Bridge".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

WHEREAS, since the birth of our great nation, hundreds of thousands of brave American men and women have served their country in the armed forces and many continue this legacy of service today, defending the most inviolate principles of human freedom and democracy; and

WHEREAS, this meritorious service continues the time-honored tradition of Tennessee volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, from Valley Forge to Kuwait, to the present war-torn lands of Bosnia, our armed forces have unselfishly paid the price of freedom for their friends and families, and for all of us; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we should honor those courageous men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice to preserve the blessed freedoms we enjoy today and that our progeny will hopefully continue to cherish for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, the intrepid and valiant members of the United States armed forces have continued to inspire our confidence, loyalty and support; and

WHEREAS, the Rhea County Commission, Rhea County Veterans Coordinating Committee, and various other citizens of the community feel that the name of a certain bridge

should honor and recognize all those brave sons and daughters of Rhea County who gave their lives or their freedom, or both, so that we might enjoy the many bounties of democracy and the American way of life; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, that the bridge spanning the Tennessee River on State Route 60 on the border of Rhea, Meigs and Hamilton counties is hereby designated as the "Tri-County Veterans Bridge" in honor of the many veterans from Rhea County who have served their country from the American Revolution to Bosnia, in times of war and peace.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or to affix suitable signs so designating such bridge as the "Tri-County Veterans Bridge".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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